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WAS WITH HIM ^{IN} KILLING JFK
SO RUN THE FILM AND
WATCH FOR THE MAN BEHIND
POLICE AND YOU WILL HAVE
YOUR MAN THIS IS FOR BOOR
OSWALD

Memphis Tenn.

H. Chief

Hope you enjoy reading the enclosed
clippings. What fools you are to believe the
Warren report. They were well paid for
any kind of a report right or wrong and
the public should be told the amount even
if report is wrong. Lee would have got away
like the others did had the fullback instance
times. Warren is said to be smart but he
does not know all that happened. Lee
did not talk and says they does not dare
for fear of his life. We have another
group to take care of R.K. and Cordes and
no one will be caught. We'll not say how
when or where but we will not have
another Kennedy in white house. We did
the country a favor when we knocked off
A.F.K. for with the help of his bootlegs
partner the Kennedy had planned to take

does the country. We will show how the
Kenny boat targeted run along the M. of
three and elsewhere. Old man Kenny is as
cracked as they come. We could get a
good price from Life Magazine for the
real Kenny story and how we did the
country and what of a no good trading
d.f.k. but we do not need the money
and it could hurt our future plans for
R.F.K. and others. They had better give up
politics and live longer but they will go
when the time comes.

You see we are at Palm Beach looking
things over but checking us well. Check
with N.Y. Daily News. They also hear from us
Don't think this is a joke for you know we
just did it very easy and the others will be
much easier for all of us when the memo
comes you will say it was right
The Informer

Kennedy Death Debate Continues

NEW YORK (AP) — Today is the third anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in Dallas, Tex., and the controversy surrounding his death continues.

Was the killer Lee Harvey Oswald? Did he act alone? Or was there a conspiracy involving one or more accomplices?

The special investigative commission headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren answered the first two questions with a firm yes, the third with a firm no.

These conclusions followed months of hearing hundreds of

mountainous array of evidence.

But still pouring forth are books and magazine articles challenging both the commission's report and the adequacy of its investigation.

So persistent are the attacks that in a Nov. 4 news conference President Johnson apparently left open a possibility that the circumstances of the assassination might be further explored — if important new evidence should be forthcoming.

Johnson said: "I know of no evidence that

reasonable persons to have doubt about the Warren Commission. But if there is any evidence that's brought forth, I assure that the commission and the appropriate authorities will take action that may be justified."

The Warren Commission report made this summation:

"The shots which killed President Kennedy and wounded Gov. (John B.) Connally of Texas were fired by Lee Harvey Oswald. On the basis of the evidence before the commission, it concludes that Oswald

was the assassin. There is no evidence that shots were fired from anywhere else."

Attorney Mark Lane asserts in his book "Rush to Judgment" that at least seven witnesses said they saw "a puff, or puffs, of white smoke" from behind a wooden fence which the presidential car was about to pass.

On that point the Warren report had this to say: "In contrast to the testimony of wit-

nesses that shots were fired from anywhere else."

Critics of the commission say a wound in President Kennedy's throat appeared to have been fired from in front of him. If so, the bullet could not have come from the depository building.

But Dr. Malcolm O. Perry, who operated on the stricken President's throat wound, told the commission:

"A full jacketed bullet without deformation passing through the skin would leave a similar

wound for an exit and entrance wound and with the facts which you have made available and with these assumptions, I believe that it was an exit wound."

Last week Lane and another critic of the Warren Commission, Edward J. Epstein — author of "Inquest" — had a heated confrontation with two commission attorneys in a panel discussion before the Associated Press managing editors convention in San Diego, Calif.

Debunkers Of JFK's Death Told Real Evidence Needed

DALLAS (UPI)—The third 1961 Parkland, the young 1963 was.

anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's assassination last Friday, who took it upon himself to read Tuesday and it three. In the assassination, it is one of the most, in the story than the strongest stories of the Warren Commission has told. Texas investigators would like to see it, including:

"The Warren Commission is not something on behalf of the Warren Commission," Assistant Dist. Atty. William Alexander said. "If any of these debunkers can bring up evidence we can put on the witness stand, we will accept a statement to the effect."

Alexander urged the flood of books, articles, lectures and statements during the Warren Commission was wrong when it concluded on the basis of 540 when he said Lee Harvey Oswald, before being killed, killed Kennedy.

Alexander believes any new investigation would turn up nothing new and that because after three years witnesses will "forgetful"—fill in the blanks with what they think should have happened—it would even get some misinformation in the record.

Oswald's mother, Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, is against opening an "immediate" investigation but for different reasons than Alexander.

"I think that critics, along with myself, have enough contradictory evidence to a national reopening the case," she said. "But I don't think an immediate opening is necessary."

"Because as the Warren Commission was too fast, I am afraid that if the case is reopened now, this would apply to the other side, I think we should go a little slower and accumulate as much factual evidence as possible to back the case."

Mrs. Oswald, who lives in Fort Worth, is an convinced her 23-year-old son was a hit, and it galls her that since the Warren Commission report was made public, newspapers call him the "assassin," not the "alleged assassin."

Texas Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr, who was close to the Warren Commission, opposes any new investigation and believes the commission's report was both thorough and accurate.

"Since the Warren Report was made, we have stood ready to additionally investigate any new development, but there has been none to my knowledge."

used next Tuesday.

A ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday by two 500 pound bronze plaques mounted on a curving granite marker above the assassination site at the entrance to the trade union pass.

Nurses at Parkland Hospital, where the President was pronounced dead, will hang a wreath on the door of Trauma Room 1, to which he was taken. The room will be arranged as it was when Kennedy arrived and the door will be closed. Unless the other three trauma rooms in the hospital's emergency department, including Trauma Room 1 will not be

Mrs. Marguerite Oswald will observe the third anniversary of her son's death Thursday in Rose Hill Burial Park, near Fort Worth, by visiting the grave of her son.

It is the greatest grave in the cemetery Mrs. Oswald planted "golf course" grass on it and waters it almost daily from a hydrant.

Oswald's widow has been married almost 18 months to Kenneth Jess Foster, a former electronics factory foreman by whom she has had a son. She is convinced Oswald killed Kennedy and as far as is known, never visits his grave.

Johnnie Chan, Dallas' largest newspaper, the Dallas Morning News, said that Oswald killed Kennedy unaided, but will not discuss the report as a whole.

When Oswald fatally wounded Kennedy, he almost killed Texas Gov. John Connally. Connally, now recovered, never talks about the case without emotion. However, he declines comment on those who criticize the Warren Report. He was elected to a third term Nov. 8.

Oswald also killed Patrolman L.D. Tippit. His widow, Marie, who received more than \$50,000 in public donations, moved this summer to a larger home with a swimming pool.

When she did, she told a contact in the police department that she would not leave even an unlisted telephone number with the department and that she did not want to talk to any reporters.

Extended weather forecasts indicate next Tuesday will be hot, just as Friday, Nov. 22,

(The following is a reproduction of a signed editorial that appeared on the front page of the Tuesday (Nov. 20) issue of the Longview (Texas) Daily News and the Wednesday edition of the Longview Morning Journal.)

The State Of Dallas
(An Editorial)

While the spirit of Dallas is bowed in the sackcloth of deep grief over the irresponsible acts of two wild-eyed fanatics, we are witnessing the sorry and un-American spectacle of a widespread campaign of slander and villification designed to discredit and destroy her recognized influence and strength as a center of faith and patriotism, culture and progress.

Two gun-slingers on a shooting spree do not represent nor reflect the true spirit and life of Dallas. Dallas leaders and citizenship alike have firmly condemned the violence. But while the great heart of Dallas has been too deeply moved to speak adequately in its own right, we hear the airwaves literally sizzling and see the pages of the ultraliberal press spread with the outcries of a howling horde of left-wingers, opportunistic political aspirants, unhappy social climbers, sensationalist TV announcers, and not a few highly placed officials who are doing their ugly best to project a horribly discolored and false image of Dallas.

East Texans, and especially we here in Longview, will not sit idle and mum while the red-paint bucket brigade puts the big smear on our metropolitan neighbor. When outsiders jump on Dallas and seek to condemn her before the nation and the world as a sinkhole of crime and outlavery, we East Texans can and do proudly declare: it isn't so!

Because two scoundrels of questionable background have wantonly spattered blood on the proud image of Dallas, is it fair or reasonable that uninformed outsiders should join their dastardly cause and make the smear national and international in scope? This is justice gone berserk!

Who are these self-righteous howling
~~and self-proclaimed~~ critics who would drown Dallas in the blood spilled by two fanatical acts of violence? They appear to be led by Communist Russia with the "me-too" approval of Cuban Dictator Castro, and apparently are joined by left-wingers, social climbers, and the misinformed who so easily are deceived. What blind fools some mortals be!

We East Texans flatly refuse to keep quiet and see Dallas crucified by an unholy aggregation of character assassins, disgruntled misfits and social malcontents who display the strong suspicion if not the self-proclaimed admiration of godless foreignisms of questionable color and name.

What has happened in Dallas could have happened almost anywhere. Is a great city to be judged by the action of a mail-order foreign-made rifle said to have been fired by a self-confessed Marxist and admirer of Communism? Can decent-minded people fairly judge a city by the blast of a pawn-shop type revolver stealthily wielded by a Chicago-born night club and dance hall operator with a strange penchant for striptease shows and a passion for social climbing? God forbid!

East Texas people know the heart and spirit of Dallas. We want to tell the nation and the world that we regard it as manifestly unfair and cruelly vindictive for persons standing on the idiotic fringe to try to recast the image of Dallas in a mold of common outlavery because of the foul deeds of two discontented misfits who set themselves as prosecutor, jury, judge and executioner of their fellowmen.

Dallas is a great city. Dallas is big, dynamic, forceful, cosmopolitan. Dallas also is civic-minded, cultural, patriotic, religious. Dallas has the marks of character and courage, enterprise and leadership, achievement and stability, vision and a steadfast dedication to high purpose.

Dallas is a major stronghold of private enterprise in Texas and the Southwest - the cherished free system which from the earliest days of the Republic has underwritten and continues to sustain the material strength of our nation. This system of free enterprise and individual opportunity, so faithfully nurtured and vigorously promoted by Dallas, not only affords the people the highest standard of living the world has ever known, but has given multiplied billions of dollars worth of aid and succor to downtrodden peoples and weaker nations the world around.

The great traditions of the free press - established by the late G.B. Dealey of the Dallas Morning News and the late Edwin Kiest and Tom Gooch of the Dallas Times Herald, and so ably and commendably perpetuated today by Ted Dealey and Jos Dealey of the News and by John W. Huryon and James F. Chambers, Jr. of the Times Herald - provide a rich heritage which both Dallas and East Texas admire and cherish.

In a measure almost beyond description, Dallas has contributed to the progress and strengthened the image of Texas as a leader among the states of the Union. The State Fair of Texas, although not exclusively a Dallas institution, has been developed and operated by Dallas for Texas as a whole. It has become the greatest exposition of its kind in the nation. The Cotton Bowl, built and largely financed by Dallas, is nationally recognized as a symbol of Texas and its leadership in outdoor sports and entertainment spectacles.

East Texas, indeed all Texas and neighboring states as well, look to Dallas as the financial center of the Southwest. The enterprising leadership and progressive standards of banking set by such giants as the late Fred Florence and by Nathan Adams, R.L. Thornton, Sr. and others, and so admirably and effectively maintained and extended today by James W. Aston, Robt. H. Stewart III and Ben H. Wooten, R.L. Thornton, Jr. and others, have given Dallas a pre-eminence that challenges and inspires others all across Texas and the Southwest.

Dallas paces Texas and the great Central Southwest region in the field of insurance, with such stalwarts as Dan Williams and Ben Carpenter among many others symbolizing the leadership which has built a large number of strong companies which now make Dallas a major headquarters of this important institutional service.

Symbolizing the pioneering role of industrial development of Dallas and much of Texas was the leadership of the late John W. Carpenter, and the present-day leadership of young Ben Carpenter and associates in the ambitious dream and worth-while canalization of the Trinity River and development of its tremendous potential.

All of us here in East Texas are keenly aware of and impressed by the magnificent role in industrial progress which W.W. Lynch continues to play in Dallas and throughout Central Texas. The eyes of Texans have long been on the valuable leadership of L.B. Gernery, chairman of the Texas Industrial Commission. The hopes and confidence of East Texans and a great section of the Southwest ride with the current leadership of George A. Wilson and associates such as L.D. Webster and others of Dallas-based Lone Star Steel Company.

Dallas has an able, dedicated and widely recognized mayor in Earle Cabell - a man whom East Texas has long admired and loved. Dallas is noted for its energetic and responsible city government.

East Texas looks at Dallas for its religious, educational and cultural inspiration and leadership. For three generations and more we have often attended and regularly followed the leadership of its fine churches and religious institutions, its colleges and universities, its art centers and libraries, its theaters and symphonies, operas and concerts.

Exemplary courts and honorable and hardworking judges are the hallmark of Dallas.

A major medical center has been in development in Dallas over the years. Today its many modern hospitals, study and research centers, excellent doctors and trained technical staffs have national and world recognition.

Dallas' leadership is a major asset to Texas and the nation. It is characterized by ability, courage, energy, friendliness and understanding. We have named only a few, but Dallas has thousands of big men who have served with devotion and faithfulness over the years - including such indefatigable workers as R. Hick Majors, Bob Calhoun, Earle Wyatt, Julius Scheppe, Henry English, Rae Skillern, Erik Jonsson, Stanley Marcus, Willis Tate, and many others.

We here in East Texas are homefolk with the people of Dallas. We have much in common. Call the roll of Dallas leaders and we find prominent among them many who came from our sand hills and piney woods.

Here in Longview especially do we recognize Dallas as our friend and neighbor. We can never forget that it has been Dallas to which we have turned when we needed help, financial and otherwise, in our pursuit of new industrial payrolls to bolster the economy of East Texas. Across the years - in the cotton era, later in the oil era, and in the latter years of our spreading development as an inland industrial center - we have had the assurance that Dallas was at our side.

Dallas has been the friend of East Texas across the years. Our material, cultural and religious interests are rooted in Dallas. As for many of we East Texans, our friends and kinsfolk are there, and some are buried there. Our hearts are there.

In this hour of crisis and distress when the bright image of Dallas is under outside fire, we in East Texas will not turn our backs and run. In the face of a rising chorus of left-wing attacks and condemnation, we will not sit cowed in silence. While some may run for cover before the onslaught of the red smear brigade, we will stand up with Dallas and be counted at her side.

For, you see, we know the great heart and the true spirit of Dallas and have the firm imprint of her proud portrait in our hearts. Whoever would wantonly distort and smear her fair image must learn that when outsiders jump on Dallas they also jump on Texas!

Fair warning is enough. While all honorable Texans condemn and decry deliberate acts of violence, we here and now serve public notice to character assassins of whatever ilk and color that the outraged spirit and righteous indignation of a united Texas must be reckoned with, both now and hereafter! "

CARL L. ESTES

RADIO STATION KLIF, Dallas, Texas

" . . . deep sorrow, but no shame

The day of mourning has passed. It is time to take up the business of the day again.

As we found in visiting Cleveland/Chicago Sunday, Dallas will need to defend itself in many quarters. Let us begin then with a vigorous defense of the Dallas Police Department. To eastern criticism we say that Dallas has one of the nation's finest police forces. Dallas is one of the nation's cleanest cities. There are no pay-offs, no rackets, no bribes - an extremely low incidence of violence.

In Dallas there is little of the corruption that has run like a cancer through the Police Departments of Chicago and Boston and Philadelphia. The unexplainable appearance of Lee Oswald's killer at the Police Headquarters has happened many times elsewhere. How did the Police of Buffalo let Czolgosz get so close to President McKinley? How did the police of Washington let Guiteau get so close to Garfield? How did the Miami police allow Giuseppe Zangera to kill Mayor Cermak of Chicago and almost kill Franklin Roosevelt? How could Washington police allow that tragic moment at Ford's Theatre? How did the police of Milwaukee allow a would-be assassin to shoot President Theodore Roosevelt?

So, to the eastern critics of Dallas police, we say that where there is life, there is always human error. We further say to other cities, many of them hotbeds of police corruption, clean your own house first. Ours is already clean. Let the defense of Dallas begin here. All Texans should rise indignantly and affirmatively to the defense of this state and city.

Stand and be counted! We need have deep sorrow, but no shame! "

Ad 0 C

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Philosophy of the American Revolution

the facts true or otherwise
of television & Radio Has to Be Backed
By the public for they Have no other
contact with society as a whole AND in
turn By Government When ~~the~~ No
contradiction is Allowed; Because to our
Dismay Government is Too public.

(A) ~~the~~ the facts of John
F. Kennedy's wounding ARE NOT
True (B) ~~the~~ the fact Lee OSWALD

WAS the ^{PERPETRATOR} ~~ASSASSIN~~ is NOT true

(C) ~~the~~ the fact JACK RUBY
NAs A SELF APPOINTED VIGILANTE
IS NOT TRUE.

(D) ~~the~~ the fact J. D. TIPPIT
Died A HERO is Definitely NOT
True

file

② the greatest
Creator of Communism is Mistruths
& Distortions AND Lies that creates
Communism. AMERICA BY AND FAR IS
THE GREATEST COUNTRY in the world.
for she is founded on the GREATEST IDEALS.
to Be a small official AS you most
assuredly ARE in Government AND NOT
SPEAK UP you sew the seeds of Communism
AND facism

A JACK KENNEDY ① the ASSASSIN would have to
have fired straight down instead of about
180 ft to the right of the depository. the
one photograph taken of Kennedy after the
incident showed him his heel in the air like
he was trying to crawl into the trunk to
pull something out. He was a poor marks man.
② Lee Oswald as his personality
is sketched was a member and Believer in
non-violence to me and my personal idea
was he was the self appointed protector of
John F. Kennedy; He knew of the plot and when
the CAR passed the depository he fired in
Tippitts location across the RAILROAD
TRESTLE. NOT AT Kennedy as Brennan says
the one shot that hit connally if ANY
came from Tippitt.

③ OSWALD WAS IN ACTUALITY WAS
a Good person. One who Believed in talking
rather than violence, BUT a fool for Having
his wife Associate with MRS. TIPPITT +
Eva Grant (a MADAM) + JACK RUBY.

What is the Quotation from thomas
Paine that Reads "When in the time
of National emergency that the summer-
-time Soldier + Sunshine patriot shall
forever shrink from the service of
His Country. OSWALD was no Summertime
soldier He might Have Been YOUR
Sunshine Magazine Patriot, Mrs

MARINA OSWALD + MRS J. D. TIPPITT
Definitely passed for NUDE ^{PHOTOS BY} ~~THE~~ BERNARD
WISEMAN + HYMAN RUBENSTEIN. I Believe
OSWALD in protecting the president
AND his entourage is the HERO.

④ JACK RUBY

He SHARES his
INFAMY in my estimation with
J. D. TIPPITT. Who BECAUSE of their
Lives of perversion + DeBAuchery sought
to do some evil thing. TIPPITT met
RUBY After the incident
over

RUBY then KNEW OSWALD
FIRED AT TIPPITT. TIPPITT LEFT RUBY'S
WHICH WAS NOT FAR FROM WHERE HE ^{SUPPOSED}
ENCOUNTERED OSWALD; HE ^{TO HAVE} EITHER DIED
BY HIS OWN GUN OR RUBY MURDERED
TIPPITT TO PROTECT HIMSELF; FOR HE
WAS THE MAN IN THE BROWN ^{DERBY} ~~HAT~~.
RUBY OR TIPPITT KNEW KENNEDY WHEN
HE WAS IN THE SERVICE AND WHAT
HE DONE THAT WAS SO HEROIC,
IN ANY FORM OF KNOWN SURE DEATH
IS ^{NOT} A HERO; ^{HE} IS A SCOUNDREL & A COWARD.
FOR HE WAS THE ONE WHO FIRED AT
CONNALLY AND WHEN KENNEDY SAW HE
COULDN'T CARRY "WHITE" TEXAS IN
THE NEXT ELECTION DUCKED UNDER
THE SEAT

④ The United States of America
HAS NO ROOM FOR SUPPORTERS OF
COMMUNISM OR ANY OTHER "ISIM" THAT
IS OTHER THAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
NONE OF THIS SINN FEIN; MAFIA, COSA
NOSTRA; ROSA NOVA; HAGGANAH; STERN
GANG*. WE ARE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
BUT WE ARE THE LEADERS OF FREE
THOUGHT BUT WE ARE A FIGHTING
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC. AS F.D.R. WOULD
HAVE THOUGHT THE WORLD & THE U.S.
ARE BETTER OFF HAVING JOHNSON
A GREAT + GOOD MAN THAN KENNEDY
A NEER DO WELL. JOHNSON THINKS
OF HIMSELF NO DOUBT BUT HE HAS
THE GOOD + WHOLESOME IDEAS OF
AMERICA AT HEART. AND POSSIBLY NO
PRESIDENT WAS NON-~~SEC~~FACTIONAL AS
HE SINCE ANDREW JACKSON. WHEN
HE THOUGHT OF HIS OWN VICE-PRESIDENT
JOHN C. CALHOUN ENCOURAGING REBELLION
AND HE SAID "CALHOUN I'LL HANG HIM"
GOD BLESS THE U.S. & THE PRESIDENT
~~* OTHER M...A~~ ④ UANTREHL
(VICTOR JORREY)

January 24, 1964

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Request for an M. N. McDonald
Fund by Mrs. Kathryn Rogers

Sir:

Mrs. K. Rogers requested by letter on January 12, 1964 that Officer M. N. McDonald be allowed to accept contributions as a reward for his arrest of Harvey Lee Oswald. Mrs. Rogers travels and several attempts were made before I was able to discuss this with her on January 23, 1964.

I explained the rules and regulations which prohibit acceptance of such gifts and expressed appreciation for her interest in Officer McDonald and the Dallas Police Department. Mrs. Rogers thanked me for discussing the matter with her but stated that the views expressed in her letter remained unchanged.

As I started to leave Mrs. Roger's home she asked me if I knew what happened to her personal check which was sent to the Herald. She stated that Mr. A. C. Green had said the check would be forwarded to Officer McDonald. - Mrs. Roger's check in the amount of \$5.00 had been forwarded Officer McDonald who turned the check over to Lieutenant Frank Dyson of the Special Service Bureau. I am having this check returned to Mrs. Rogers.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. Kockos
H. C. Kockos
Inspector of Police


HCK:mw

January 24, 1964

Mrs. Kathryn Rogers
3109 Danieldale Dr.
Lancaster, Texas

Dear Mrs. Rogers:

Enclosed herein is your check in the amount of \$5.00 made payable to Officer M. N. McDonald. Officer McDonald had received your check and turned it over to his supervisor for return to you.

Again thank you so much for your interest in Officer McDonald and the Dallas Police Department.

Very truly yours,

H. C. Kockos
Inspector of Police

HCK:rm

3109 Danielfdale Drive
Lancaster, Texas
(A 4 - 4790)

Call me
Thurs 3 PM

January 12, 1964

Chief of Police Curry,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I enclose a copy of my letter regarding Officer M.N. McDonald which appeared in the Sunday, Jan. 12, edition of People's Forum of the Times-Herald. I then received a telephone call from a person who asked if I was aware that Officer McDonald would unfortunately not be permitted to accept contributions, that he must either return the check, or turn it over to the Dallas Police Fund.

Thereupon I called the Police Department to check on the accuracy of this disturbing information. The officer with whom I talked confirmed that it is indeed customary for no officer to accept gifts or rewards. Under normal conditions this regulation is understandable and quite commendable in order to prevent misconceptions or suspicions of bribery, "pay-offs", etc. To my mind, however, there is a vast difference between that, and the tribute people desire to pay to a very brave man. It seems unfair that while we are allowed to honor the memory of a slain officer, we are prevented, by regulation, from honoring the live hero who would have been, had the gun not misfired, another tragic statistic like Officer Tippitt. Officer McDonald is surely deserving of more consideration than that and it is my hope that an exception can be made in his case since any contribution to this Officer, under the special circumstances, could scarcely be misconstrued or considered unwarranted. Having to return well-meant contributions puts Officer McDonald in a very awkward and difficult position which I think is regrettable to say the least - and is understandably upsetting also, to those who wish to express their gratitude.

If no exception can be made, then I would suggest that the Times-Herald publish an item to this effect to prevent any further embarrassing contributions from the public.

I respectfully request that you use your influence to waive this regulation in this particular instance, if at all possible.

Very truly yours,

Kathryn L. Rogers
Mrs. William E. Rogers

cc: A.C. Greene, Ed.
Times-Herald

(COPY)

January 9, 1964.

People's Forum,
Times-Herald,
Dallas, Texas.

A saddened nation expressed it's sympathy to Officer J. D. Tippitt's family by an outpouring of financial aid. Shouldn't a grateful nation now express it's heartfelt thanks to the heroic Officer M. N. McDonald who, at the risk of extreme personal danger, actually captured the armed slayer of Officer Tippitt and suspected assassin of President Kennedy? Dallas is fortunate to have men of such caliber on it's Police Force, and Officer McDonald is well deserving of recognition and reward from the citizens of a grateful city, if not the entire country. I enclose my contribution in the hope that it will become a small part of a larger tribute.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. William E. Rogers

3109 Danieldale
Lancaster, Texas

THE DALLAS TIMES HERALD

First in Dallas--and Growing

Jan. 10, 1964

Officer McDonald,

This check is another which I have received for transmission to you. These people are very grateful to you and I am happy to be able to assist them in their gratitude.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "A.C. Greene". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

A.C. Greene,

Editor, Editorial Page